

Dear Charles;

Mr. Prentiss has just
been in to notify me that
they will be out of copy in
the course of the day tomorrow
(Friday). — I have hesitated
as to writing you about it, lest
you should think me crossing
you, — which I would not even
seem to do, on any acc^t, for I
know you are working very hard
indeed now — probably harder than
is good for you; but, on the whole,
conclude to write, & let you know
the fact.

I thought over the whole Report last
night, as I lay wakeful in my bed,
and concluded fully that it could not
be got ready for our Annual Meeting.

I now fix my earnest desires &
hopes upon having it ready for the
New England Convention. This
will give you 8 weeks more - or until
May 21.st as the latest day for sending
copy; and I feel sure, that you
will need every day & hour of it.

Such is my conviction; but
you may know better.

You have certainly made
an exceedingly interesting & valuable
pamphlet thus far. It is pleasant
work to me to read the proof of it.

Yours,

L. May Jr